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May has turned cold and fickle.

Gov. Flower is hoist by his own veto power.

The Pennsylvania flood news recalls painful memories of Johnstown.

With their new green and white lamps the park police might be known as lanterners.

Rain, wind and big breakers, added to the tidal wave of reform, made a dreary Sunday for Coney Island.

Greater New York will be a home-ruled New York, if the Constitutional Convention proves worth convening.

Another Anarchist has paid a prompt penalty for a murderous crime in France. And Pranderast is still unhanged in Chicago.

"The Evening World's" veto prophecies of April 23 have been carried out to the letter by the Governor who has also kept Brockway alive.

The Sick Babies' Fund of "The Evening World" offers you a splendid opportunity for the investment of your spare pennies, or dimes, or dollars.

It is not partisan interests that the best New Yorkers are better. It is the great municipal interests which are above all parties that good citizens wish to advance.

It doesn't seem as if the Senators could exactly afford to let that bribery investigation go on in secret. The charges are public matters. The interests at stake are the public's. The inquiry should also be public, with all the facts which it brings out.

In order to make other help more available and effective, New York must help itself to the utmost of its ability. It cannot do this while working in narrow partisan bonds. The issue of the hour is broadly municipal. It must be met by united friends of the municipality.

Charges of gambling in Sugar stock and conniving with Trusts affect more than the individual reputations of Senators at Washington. They are matters of the gravest public import. The public is entitled to be present at the investigation, to the charges, or to have immediate access to full reports of the inquiry. The whole affair is the people's own business.

Once more a note of alarm is sounded as to the designs of the Metropolitan Traction Company (controlling the Broadway cable road) on Fifth avenue. Constant vigilance must be the price of that thoroughfare's preservation. A good first step to thwart the railway men will be the passage of that ordinance, now before the Board of Aldermen, providing that between certain hours in certain seasons Fifth avenue above Twenty-fifth street, and below Park, shall be free from trucks and other hindrances to pleasure driving.

Gov. Flower lumps the late New York Bi-Partisan Police Commission bill with three measures affecting other cities as purely violations of the principles of home rule. The fact that the State Legislature has anything to say about the direct administration of municipal affairs is a violation of the principle to which the Governor refers. But since the Legislature does have the power it shouldn't have done anything but call to exercise its authority in the way desired by the majority in the affected municipality. It did this in passing a New York City bill which made the Superintendent of Police, himself a policeman, much more of a responsible head of the force than he is now. The "bi-

partisan" portion of the bill was, of course, a Platt joker, and nobody except the Republican boss and his pals cared what became of it. It had been rendered practically harmless. The provisions in the bill as to the powers of the Superintendent should have been enough to insure the signing of the measure. They would have been so with a Governor who put public duty before other considerations.

## POLICE BILL VETOES.

Gov. Flower has vetoed in a batch the police bill left in his hands by the Legislature. The bill, which was introduced by Mr. Richmond, County. He objects to them all as purely partisan measures, legislating Democrats out of office for the advantage of Republicans, aimed only at Democratic municipalities, and "bad in principle because they represent the power of legislative power to promote partisan purposes."

The New York Bi-Partisan bill claims to be most of the Governor's attention. That bill comes to him, he says, "saturated with political rumors" and "bearing on its face the familiar signs of political hunger."

It is his now to discuss the arguments advanced by the Governor in vindication of his veto. The bills are dead, and that is the end of them for the present year.

It is well to remember that the matter of less competition in view of the fact that the Constitutional Convention now in session will doubtless adopt a definite system for the government of municipalities, and do away with the pernicious charter tinkering to which we have been subjected in the past.

But it is to be regretted that the Legislature was so glaringly partisan as to afford the Governor a justification of many of his criticisms of its work.

The quarrels of the Platt and anti-Platt factions brought legislation practically to a deadlock until the majority was forced by the power of caucus into the passage of some of the bills.

Measures of reform, although not all in the shape in which the honest friends of good government would have desired.

If the Legislature had been an honest champion of reform for the good of the people, instead of a discordant, squabbling body, fighting for the spoils and the power, the Governor would have found it a more difficult task to find reasons for the slaughter of its bills. But then the bills themselves would have been different in character.

THE BANE OF SPECIAL LEGISLATION.

The suggestions of Mr. Simon Sterne in relation to special legislation deserve particular and careful consideration. The object of the bill is to prevent special legislation in its treatment of the subject.

Special legislation has been the main cause of the evils from which the city of New York has suffered for years. Some time ago it was so prolific of evil that the people, mainly through the efforts of Samuel J. Tilden, rose up against it and partially remedied it by amendments to the Constitution of a valuable character. But it was not totally eradicated, as it ought to have been, although the changes were important as far as they went.

Last session the evil of special legislation was made conspicuous. Every political adventurer had his remedy for some supposed wrong, and always with the object of advancing his own interest. This public officer in one place was to take on of office, or order that another person might have a chance to get his place. That alleged evil in another place was to be removed in order that another real evil might have an opportunity of succeeding. Reform measures only passed a year or two previously were to be repealed because they had not "reformed" in the direction the repealers desired.

If the sort of legislation favored at the last session was to prevail the statutes would have to be changed every year to meet special objects, or, at least, as often as the political character of the Legislature changed to vary.

Special legislation is the hot-house of corruption. Do away with all special legislation in the State Legislature, and the notorious Albany lobby would perish finally and be buried beyond resurrection.

## ANARCHIST EXECUTIONS.

The Anarchist Emile Henry was executed in Paris, and six others met death in Spain, to-day.

In Paris, where the executions are allowed to take on a dramatic character, the doomed man enjoyed the opportunity to follow the example of Voltaire and to shout at the guillotine, "Courage, comrades! Vive l'anarchie!" But his diminutive form and a weak, squeaking voice deprived the defiance of all force, and made it appear farcical. It is evident that the European authorities have made up their minds not to trifle any longer with these people, but to put down assassination and bomb throwing with a strong hand. President Carnot was subjected to a great deal of pressure to induce him to commute Henry's sentence, but he refused to do so, and the law was properly applied to take its course. Henry's crime was the dastardly one of exploding a bomb in the Hotel Terminus.

## LAW-MAKERS MUST HAVE FUN.

New Jersey has 450 new laws as the result of its Legislature's work. We have some new laws ourselves in this State as the result of the same process, but we are not going around blowing about them.

It is easy to make new laws. The supply of this article is much larger than the demand; in fact, demand has nothing in the world to do with the supply. The Legislature is not to be troubled by the supply of headaches or mayhem. New Yorkers do not lie awake at night, wishing and praying for new laws. If they lie awake at all it is to worry about the laws that are made and that are not wanted.

In the case of New York, in "The Evening World," a stranger, inquired: "How goes the law here?" The comic hero replied: "Oh, yes, lots of laws, but not much law."

That is the situation in New York. The Legislature is not to be troubled by the supply of headaches or mayhem. New Yorkers do not lie awake at night, wishing and praying for new laws. If they lie awake at all it is to worry about the laws that are made and that are not wanted.

## Concert to Aid the Sick Babies.

A supplementary concert will be given at Madison Hall, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street and Madison avenue. Those who are interested in the cause of the Sick Babies should attend. The concert is for the benefit of the Sick Babies' Fund at the Children's Hospital. The concert is for the benefit of the Sick Babies' Fund at the Children's Hospital. The concert is for the benefit of the Sick Babies' Fund at the Children's Hospital.

## BENEFITS FOR BABES. MR. DALY HAS A NEW STAR. SAVED BY A FIREMAN.

Actors Will Sing and Dance for the Free Doctors Fund.

Four Pretty Girls to Manage the Entertainment.

Good Work Being Done by the Free Physicians.

Two benefits for the Sick Babies' Fund are on the carpet.

One is a vaudeville show, to be given Saturday evening at the Central Opera-house, under the management of Miss Ella Ellsberg, Miss Nathan and the Misses Diamond. This pretty quartet has arranged a first-class entertainment. The programme has length, variety and excellence to recommend it.

Every performer is a specialist, and every ticket holder will find something particularly interesting.

The young ladies have arranged things after the style of the big Vaudeville Club, and those who don't care for singing, dancing, skits, sketches and footlight fun will have a chance to visit and chatter before, after and all through the performance without disturbing anybody or being disturbed.

Flower girls will sell lily-of-the-valley bouquets at wholesale prices in the lobby; there are to be girl ushers, girl Glympes and girls in charge of the programmes and opera-glasses. Girls will sell the tickets and take very good care that they are paid for at regular rates, to help the babies of the New York poor.

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An English Actress Who Will Play Juliet Here.

News Paragraphs That Will Interest Local Theatre-Goers.

Here is the latest budget of "442" gossip from the Garden: Musical Director Perleb has been presented by his orchestra with a laurel wreath.

His "Love, Sweet Love," composed for Theresa Vaughn, is being sung with great success in the Garden. Comedians Walter Jones and W. H. Sloan spent Sunday at West Point Military Academy as guests of the cadets, and were inducted into the ranks of the "442" on June 12. Herr Kilianl is hard at work on the third series of his great success in the Garden. Comedians Walter Jones and W. H. Sloan spent Sunday at West Point Military Academy as guests of the cadets, and were inducted into the ranks of the "442" on June 12.

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Louisa Bundy Carried Unconscious from a Burning Building.

Other Tenants Rescued by Means of Ladders.

Narrow Escape of Two Women in One of Several Fires.

Between midnight and 4 o'clock this morning the firemen had to cope with four fires. One of the fires created a panic; one woman was overcome by smoke and heroically rescued by a fireman, and an entire family narrowly escaped suffocation.

The fire which did the most damage occurred in the third-story building. Third avenue. On the ground floor Martin Varnum keeps a cigar store and lives with his family on the top floor.

David Ross and his wife and several children live on the second floor. Peter Ross, David's father, lives with them. He is seventy-five years old.

At 3:30 o'clock Hannah Ross, eighteen years old, was awakened by a crackling sound as of the burning of wood. She went downstairs and found the cigar store on fire.

She ran back and awakened her family. At the same time the flames were discovered by a passing policeman, who sent out an alarm.

The Ross family got out of the building in safety, but old Mr. Ross insisted on going back for his wife. He came down long his life for what he returned with a tin box in his hand, the smoke filled the hall and he could scarcely stagger to the street.

At second floor, where the fire was, a young man, Henry, was standing at a hall window in the front of the house, screaming for help. Firemen were aroused by the cries, and jumped out of a rear window, leaving Louisa in her room.

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## LETTERS.

[This column is open to everybody who has a complaint to make, a privilege to ventilate, information to give, a subject of general interest to discuss or a public service to acknowledge, and who can put the ideas into less than 100 words. Long letters cannot be printed.]

The Waiter's Lot.

Altering that waiter's waiters are too tight and are sports, yet it does not necessarily follow that all are so. There are "good, steady and saving men" among them, just as there are more honest men and virtuous girls in this world than thieves and libertines would have us imagine. This is verified in the large number of saloon-keepers in this city who were once waiters. Nevertheless, it is a positive fact, such is the general aversion of the fair sex towards them that it is almost impossible for them to get suitable girls of any refinement. They can get lots of illiterates, only too glad to join them in wedlock, not for love (it being that has vanished from their hearts for years), but for the love of the money they bring home, so that they could have enough of beer to drink with the neighbors. These are the only girls that have any use for them or any idea of their worth, while other useless imitations of what they should be look down upon them with scorn. I can appreciate any girl for rejecting the attentions of those who cannot give them a decent living, but when a man's income (even if he be a waiter) amounts to \$25 or \$30 a week, honestly but not so easily earned, I think he is entitled to seek the comforts of a home instead of being miserably housed in a furnished room, subject to the temptations of the "gin-mill," and should command as much respect and attention from the fair sex as those whose incomes are but half or one-third of his.

A WAITER.

These Water Sharks Not Gudgeons.

I like the way one of the New York morning papers calls us names. It was hard to swallow when at Fire Island we were called "clam-diggers." Now when the "Pierian Monitor" goes ashore we are spoken of as "shell-backs." It was also stated that the old water sharks laughed and seemed disappointed when they got the word of New York in an idea that we are a lot of savages and delight in shipwreck and loss of life and property? Let me tell you that shell-back